142 crores (approx) will be met by auctioning commercial sites provided in the lay-out plan. The commercial cites auction could not materialise due to interim orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in Civil Writ Petition No. 833/91.

On the same ground (of anticipated receipts from auction of commercial sites) the rate of electrification charges to be recovered from the allottees (in addition to the sale price of Rs. 425/- per sq. mt.) were reduced from Rs. 89/- per sq.mt, to Rs. 55/- per sq. mt,. resulting in additional deficit of Rs. 64 lakh approximately. This was decided by the Corporation vide its decision No. 920/GW/Corpn. dated 4.10.1990.

MCD reports that no official is as such responsible for any deficits which are only temporary and are to be made up by sale of commercial sites.

It is a scheme of rehabilitation of transporters, workshop, etc. of the city area and other localities to de-congest the Walled City and no profits can be expected out of this welfare scheme initiated in public interest.

Test Explosions conducted by I.D.L. Rourkela

4521. KUMARI FRIDA TOPNO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the fact that high power explosions are being conducted by the Indian Detonators Limited, Rourkela for which the company does not posses licence; and

(b) if so, the measures being taken or proposed to be taken to prevent such explosions?

THE MINISTRER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) and (b). M/s. IDL Chemicals Ltd. Rourkela is carrying out blasting operations for quality control, testing and metal cladding at approved site covered under licence granted by the department of Explosives under the provisions of the Explosives Rules, 1983.

Benefit of Pension to Ex-Burma Pensioner on Reemployment in Government Jobs

4522. SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ex-Burma Pensioners who were reemployed in the state government services were allowed the full benefit of minimum pension of Rs. 375 plus dearness reliefs etc. in addition to the state Government Pension in full;

(b) whether the above benefit has been withdrawn in respect of Ex-Burma Pensioners who are reemployed in Central Services and reduction of their Burma pension to the lowest has been ordered;

(c) whether representations have been received on behalf of Ex-Burma Pensioners employed under Central services to remove the said discrimination; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Instructions have been issued to withdraw the benefit of minimum ex-gratia payment of Rs. 375/- per month plus dearness relief to Ex-Burma Pensioners who are also in receipt of Central government pension. In their cases the Burma pension is to be restricted to the original pension.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The matter is receiving attention.

Computer Training Centres

4523 SHRIMATI GEETA MUKERJEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the mushrooming of computer teaching shops in the country charging high fees in imparting computer training with poor infrastructural facilities and ill trained personnel; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken towards standardising computer training and issue guidelines about the uniformly in regard to fees, courses of reading etc?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) The majority of institutions which provide computer training are in the private sector and they charge fees according to their own norms.

(b) The Government of India, Department of Electronics vide Resolution, dated 16th August. 1990, have announced a scheme under which private sector computer training institutes meeting the defined quality and service standards are given accreditation for conducting certain specified courses viz. O (Foundation), A (Advance Diploma). B(Graduate) and C(Post Graduate) levels computer courses.

Funds for Afforestation in Himachal Pradesh.

4524. PROF PREM DHUMAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a lot of funds which are meant for desert development are lying unutilised;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to divert the fund and allocates for afforestation schemes to other States including Himachal Pradesh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). The question does not arise.

Off Loading of Public Sector Equity on Mutual Funds

4525. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to off load public sector equity on the mutual funds and financial institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the total amount that has been decided to be off loaded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) to (c). The proposal to off load public sector equity on the mutual funds and financial institutions is under finalisation.

[*Translation*]

Villages Selected Under I.T.D.P. in U.P.

4525-A. SHRI JEEWAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages selected under Integrated Tribal Development Project in Uttar Pradesh district-wise;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the quantity of ration supplied under this scheme last year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) 41 villages in two Block I.E. Pilaya and Nighasan in Lakhimpur District of Uttar Pradesh have been covered under I.T.D.P.

(b) The details of villages are as under: